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1. US POSITION ON NAMIBIA REMAINS BASED ON THE GENERAL OUTLINE PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED WITH THE FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS, THE SOUTH AFRICANS, AND SWAPO. THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION OF US POLICY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA RESULTED IN A DECISION TO SEEK SOUTH AFRICAN REAFFIRMATION OF THE SEVEN POINT PROPOSALS. WE WOULD THEN GO BACK TO THE FRONT LINE STATES AND THROUGH THEM TO SWAPO, TO SEE

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IF A FRAMEWORK FOR A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT COULD BE ESTABLISHED.

2. WE HAVE SPOKEN TO THE SOUTH AFRICANS SEVERAL TIMES IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS BUT HAVE RECEIVED NO DEFINITIVE REPLY FROM THEM REGARDING REAFFIRMATION OF THE SEVEN POINTS. IT HAS BECOME CLEAR THAT THE SOUTH AFRICANS INTEND TO LET THE TURNHALLE CONFERENCE LEAD TO AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT WHICH CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

3. IN ORDER TO IMPRESS UPON THE SOUTH AFRICANS THE

URGENCY OF MOVING TOWARD AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT ALONG THE LINES OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 385, WE HAVE DEVELOPED, IN CONSULTATIONS WITH THE OTHER WESTERN MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL, A JOINT FIVE POWER DEMARCHE TO THE SOUTH AFRICANS.

4. TIMING AND METHOD OF DELIVERY OF THE DEMARCHE ARE STILL TO BE DETERMINED

5. ABOVE IS FYI ONLY. KEY AFRICANS IN NEW YORK (INCLUDING AMB SALIM) ARE AWARE OF OUR GENERAL PLANS FOR A DEMARCHE, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN ITS TEXT.

ABOVE IS NOT FOR DISCUSSION WITHHOST GOVT. UNTIL WE SEND FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

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